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JOE GEIGER IS FIRST IN TEN-MILE RACE

Baltimore Veteran Lands Carroll Institute Run Trophy to Locals.

By JOHN A. DUGAN.

For running from the plains of Marathon to Athens with news of the great victory over the Persians way back in 490 B. C., Phidippides, the Greek, who accomplished the feat, was rendered immortal in living bronze by the great sculptor Phidias. Many years afterwards Browning wrote a great poem about him and in commemoration of his run the marathon race was installed on the Olympic games program as the blue ribbon event.

Yet yesterday over a snow covered, wind swept course, under weather conditions that would make Phidippides shiver in his sandals, several sturdy-limbed, strong-limbed runners kicked over a distance of ten miles in the annual Carroll Institute ten-mile handicap race.

Joe Geiger, the South Atlantic cross-country champion from Baltimore, running unattached, and from scratch position, easily overtook his field and showed his heels to one of the classiest crews of marathoners that ever faced a starter in this vicinity.

Geiger's wonderful performance in yesterday's ten-mile race deserves more than some one like Phidias putting him in sculpture instead of the sporting pages putting him in print, as he left the Tenth street institute five minutes behind the first starter, and was as fresh as a "daisy" when he broke the tape. This handicap never worried Joe over one step of the course, he ran like the veteran he is, and easily overtook the advance runners.

Jack Downey, of the Carroll Institute, with two minutes and thirty-seconds handicap, was the only entry of the seventeen that faced Jimmy Mulligan's gun, that gave the South Atlantic champion any kind of a race, as the little athlete of the yellow and white finished forty seconds behind Geiger and over most of the distance pushed the Baltimore phenom.

Even with the wonderful performance put up by the Baltimore high stepper the Carroll Institute by some great team work annexed the team trophy and captured most of the medals offered. Carroll put over the first five men and had six athletes cross the board in the first six, handing their rivals the Cross Country Club of Baltimore, one of the worst setbacks ever administered the Maryland hikers.

Trailing shortly behind Downey of the Institute came Struffer of the local team, who was followed by his teammates, Finch and Shanley. Finch, who ran in fourth position, grabbed off the first novice prize while Dillon put the old team trophy on ice when he landed in eleventh position. Lyons, the other local entry, pulled up in twelfth position and took the third novice medal.

Geiger captured the time medal and the cup for the winner. Karpanan, of the Cross Country, and Spear and Young, his teammates, finished sixth, seventh, and eighth, respectively, and annexed the three bronze medals for these positions.

The champ was not in the running until after he had passed the Bureau of Standards on his way back when he pulled up into fifth position. Shortly before reaching the Zoo Gate, Geiger jumped ahead of Downey, who had been leading the other runners a dog's life, and was never headed. The runners passed Dupont circle in this position and then Joe showed his great sprinting ability

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NEW SYSTEM FOR THE SIX-DAY BIKE RACE

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New York, Dec. 16.—The six-day bike race, starting this season will be entirely different from all others the town has snored at. Conditions for the long whirl on rubber tires have been changed to revive interest in the old sport of cycling. Next week's grind around the oval track will be a series of sprints. There will be a Berlin finish every night, and the winning team will be decided on points figured up every night until the finish. There will be attempts at lap stealing during the day and sprints at night, and between the two bike fans will find it hard to catch forty winks.

Fourteen teams, the pick of the professional riders will start on their week's journey one minute after midnight. Several other pairs sent in their entries, but Manager Chapman decided to keep the field at fourteen teams to insure speedy riding. And it is a certainty the bikers will burn up the track, for they are to share in the receipts. This is the first time in the history of New York six-day races that the riders were allowed to cut in on the gate money. This time the riders will receive 35 per cent of the gross receipts as their rewards for pedaling their machines six days and nights.

Lynch Re-elected. Worcester, Mass., Dec. 16.—Raymond Lynch, of South Hadley Falls, has been re-elected captain of the Holy Cross College football team for 1917.

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JOKER IN CONTRACT OF MAJOR PLAYERS

Clause Reads Players Released by Big Leagues Must Accept Minor Salary.

New York, Dec. 16.—National League magnates do not intend to give the players' Fraternity a chance to hang anything on their Christmas tree that looks like a strike if they can help it.

Before their meeting came to a peaceful close after four days of restless contemplation of several subjects the veteran leaguers discovered that there is a joker in the new form of players' contract and they ordered it sent back to the factory and revamped.

Garry Herrmann and several of his colleagues explain that there is a clause which reads that when a player is released to the minors by a major league club he must accept a minor league salary. Such a clause as this would send Dave Fultz to the top of the Woolworth Building with a speech forty miles long, and the wise old National League doesn't want any trouble. So the new form of contract will be remodeled before it is acceptable to Governor Tener's benchmark.

Most of the National League magnates are headed for their homes today after spending nearly a week in session and accomplishing very little. The signing of Mitchell by the Cubs was the sensation of the meeting. Barney Dreyfuss' long expected cannon cracker which was to have been exploded under the dignified chair of Garry Herrmann, proved nothing but a silver. Barney had his say, but the trouble was that no one else would say anything along the same line and the conversation lagged.

James E. Gaffney, former owner of the Boston Braves, is on the trail of the Brooklyn Dodgers again. Gaffney says the Dodgers are the only buy he will consider and he has admitted that he hopes to bring Charley Ebbets around to his way of thinking before the season of 1917 opens.

The report that Col. Bob Hedges wants to buy the Cardinals caused Mrs. H. H. Britton to speak up in meeting.

"I have heard nothing of it," said Mrs. Britton. "If Colonel Hedges or anyone else wants to buy my ball club they will have to see me about it. Several years ago I named a price. It was \$300,000. I don't say the club can be bought for that now, but I do know that I will have considerable to say about it if any deal is made."

WESTERN JUNIORS BEATEN BY FRIENDS

The Friends Juniors defeated the Western Juniors, 25 to 23, in the Friends Gym yesterday. The Quakers took the lead early in the game and were never headed. Stone and Russell, were the star performers for the Quakers, while Melver was the star of the Georgetown quint. The summary:

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